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Notice of Allowability	Application No. 08/846,661	Applicant(s) SAITO
	Examiner Hrayr A. Sayadian	Group Art Unit: 2766

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course.

This communication is responsive to 12-28-1999
 The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-4
 The drawings filed on _____ are acceptable.
 Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).
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 Applicant MUST submit NEW FORMAL DRAWINGS
 because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal.
 including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No _____.
 including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed on _____, wh ch has been approved by the examiner.
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 Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.
 Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.
 Any response to this letter should include, in the upper right hand corner, the APPLICATION NUMBER (SERIES CODE/SERIAL NUMBER). If applicant has received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, the ISSUE BATCH NUMBER and DATE of the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE should also be included.
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 Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
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 Interview Summary, PTO-413
 Examiner's Amendment/Comment
 Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
 Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. The following is Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The cited prior art, neither alone nor in combination, teaches or suggests the totality of claim elements as in the independent claims 1 and 4, as argued for by Applicant in the response to the first USPTO office action; specifically they do not teach or suggest the data content dealing management center and editing scenario dealing management center and the specific functional interaction between these elements as to advertising and selling data content stored in the a database along with transmission of an encryption key. Matsumoto does not teach the above specified elements.

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3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Examiner Hrayr A. Sayadian whose telephone number is (703) 306-4169. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ms. Gail Hayes, can be reached on (703) 305-9711. The fax phone number for Technology Center 2700 is (703) 308-9051 or 308-9052.

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